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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to the Duty to Disclose under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the reference cited on the accompanying form PTO/SB/08B is hereby brought to the attention of the Examiner for independent evaluation. A copy of the reference is enclosed. The reference was cited in an Office Action prepared by the Chinese Patent Office on a corresponding Chinese patent application.

The submission of the listed document is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

Applicant respectfully requests that the listed document be considered by the Examiner and made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of form PTO/SB/08B be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

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Respectfully submitted,

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